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PROGRAMME OF MEETINGS AND AGENDA

SCHEDULED MEETINGS

Tuesday, 21 September 1999

SECURITY COUNCIL

3.30 p.m. 4047th meeting Security Council Chamber

1. Adoption of the agenda
2. The situation in Africa

   Briefing by His Excellency Mr. Frederick J.T. Chiluba, President of Zambia

GENERAL ASSEMBLY

Fifty-fourth session

10 a.m. 6th PLENARY MEETING General Assembly Hall

1. Address by His Excellency Mr. Alberto Fujimori, President of the Republic of Peru
2. Address by His Excellency Mr. William Jefferson Clinton, President of the United States of America
3. Address by His Excellency Mr. Robert Mugabe, President of the Republic of Zimbabwe
4. Address by His Excellency Mr. Alvaro Arzú Irigoyen, President of the Republic of Guatemala
5. Continuation of the general debate [9]:

   Russian Federation

   Ghana

   Finland

(continued overleaf)

3 p.m. 7th PLENARY MEETING General Assembly Hall

1. Address by His Excellency Mr. Hugo Chávez Frías, President of the Republic of Venezuela
2. Address by His Excellency Mr. Carlos Saúl Menem, President of the Argentine Republic
3. Continuation of the general debate [9]:

   Address by His Excellency Mr. Mikuláš Dzurinda, Prime Minister of the Slovak Republic

   Mali

   Japan

   Austria

   Ukraine

   Morocco

   Uzbekistan

   Sweden

   United Arab Emirates

   Spain

FIFTY-FOURTH SESSION OF
THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY

Live Webcast of the general debate of the fifty-fourth session of the General Assembly is available at the General Assembly Web site at the following address:

http://www.un.org/ga/20special/ga54/IndexE.htm

The provisional list of speakers (No. 4) for the general debate of the fifty-fourth session of the General Assembly (20-25 September and 29 September-2 October 1999) is now available in room S-2925 (General Assembly and ECOSOC Affairs Division). The provisional list of speakers (No. 4) has also been sent by facsimile directly to the permanent missions (office of the Permanent Representative). The list of speakers is also available on the Internet at the following address: www. un.org/ga/54/list54.htm. Any queries concerning the list of speakers should be addressed to the Division (Mrs. Nicolle Matias-Veyne (tel.: (212) 963-5063)).

TWENTY-SECOND SPECIAL SESSION OF THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY
ON THE REVIEW AND APPRAISAL OF THE IMPLEMENTATION
OF THE PROGRAMME OF ACTION FOR THE SUSTAINABLE
DEVELOPMENT OF SMALL ISLAND DEVELOPING STATES
(*27 and 28 September 1999*)

The provisional list of speakers (No. 2) in the debate on the review and appraisal of the implementation of the Programme of Action for the Sustainable Development of Small Island Developing States is now available at the General Assembly Servicing Branch (rooms S-2925 and S-3001G). The provisional list of speakers (No. 2) has also been sent by facsimile directly to the permanent missions (office of the Permanent Representative).

Committees

FIRST COMMITTEE

Informal consultations

12 noon-1 p.m.	closed meeting	Conference Room 4

THIRD COMMITTEE

3 p.m.	2nd meeting	Conference Room 2

1. Election of officers
2. Organization of work (A/54/250, A/C.3/54/L.1 and Add.1)

FIFTH COMMITTEE

3 p.m.-6 p.m.	2nd meeting	Conference Room 3

1. Election of the Vice-Chairmen and Rapporteur
2. Organization of work (A/54/250, A/54/251, A/C.5/54/1 and A/C.5/54/L.1)

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PREPARATORY COMMITTEE FOR THE SPECIAL SESSION OF THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY ON THE IMPLEMENTATION OF THE OUTCOME OF THE WORLD SUMMIT FOR SOCIAL DEVELOPMENT AND FURTHER INITIATIVES

Resumed first session

Afternoon*-6 p.m.	14th meeting	Conference Room 2

Adoption of the agenda and other organizational matters [1]

Action on draft decisions A/AC.253/L.12 and L.13

* Following the adjournment of the 2nd meeting of the Third Committee.

ADVISORY COMMITTEE ON ADMINISTRATIVE AND BUDGETARY QUESTIONS

10.30 a.m.-1 p.m.	closed meeting	Conference Room 10
3 p.m.-6 p.m.	closed meeting	Conference Room 10

Subjects

1. Provision of interpretation services to meetings of regional and other major groupings of Member States
2. Improved utilization of conference facilities at the United Nations Office at Nairobi
3. Possibility of establishing a permanent interpretation service at the United Nations Office at Nairobi

SPECIAL COMMITTEE ON PEACEKEEPING OPERATIONS

WORKING GROUP

10 a.m.-1 p.m.	informal meeting (closed)	Conference Room 3

Consideration of the text of a draft resolution for adoption of the 1999 report of the Special Committee

ECONOMIC AND SOCIAL COUNCIL

ADMINISTRATIVE COMMITTEE ON COORDINATION

CONSULTATIVE COMMITTEE ON PROGRAMME AND OPERATIONAL QUESTIONS (CCPOQ)

10 a.m.-1 p.m.	closed meeting	Conference Room 5
3 p.m.-6 p.m.	closed meeting	Conference Room 5

Announcement

The daily briefing of the Spokesman for the Secretary-General for members of permanent missions will not be held until Friday, 1 October. The briefings will resume on Monday, 4 October 1999, at 12.30 p.m..

MEETINGS OTHER THAN MEETINGS OF UNITED NATIONS BODIES

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Tuesday, 21 September 1999

NON-ALIGNED MOVEMENT :

COORDINATING BUREAU

3 p.m.-6 p.m.	closed meeting	Trusteeship Council Chamber

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There will be a meeting of the Rio Group with Japan *today*, 21 September 1999, from 12 noon to 1 p.m. in Conference Room 6.

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There will be meeting of the South Asian Association for Regional Cooperation (SAARC) and the European Union *today*, 21 September 1999, from 3 p.m. to 4.30 p.m. in Conference Room 6.

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There will be meeting of the European Union and the Rio Group *today*, 21 September 1999, from 4.30 p.m. to 5.30 p.m. in the Economic and Social Council Chamber.

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Briefings

The Permanent Mission of Cuba will hold a briefing for interested delegations and representatives of non-governmental organizations from 10 a.m. to 1 p.m. in Conference Room 7, *today*, 21 September 1999, on the theme "The Impact of the United States Economic, Financial and Commercial Embargo against Cuba on the Cuban Population: A Perspective from Cuban Youth and Health Organizations".

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There will be a briefing for non-governmental organizations by the Special Representative of the Secretary-General for Children and Armed Conflict, Mr. Olara A. Otunnu, on his mission to Sierra Leone and Guinea and Security Council resolution 1261, *today*, 21 September 1999, from 3 p.m. to 4.30 p.m. in Conference Room 4.

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Announcement

As from Thursday, 2 September 1999, and for the rest of the month, the Presidency of the Security Council conduct informal briefings on the current work of the Council for Member States of the United Nations which are non-members of the Council daily, except on days on which no informal consultations are scheduled. The briefings will take place immediately following the adjournment of the informal consultations, in the Press Briefing Room (S-226).

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Announcement

Recorded information about previously unscheduled meetings and consultations of the whole of the Security Council may be obtained by calling (212) 963-8[illegible].

FORTHCOMING MEETINGS

Wednesday, 22 September 1999

GENERAL ASSEMBLY

Fifty-fourth session

10 a.m. 8th PLENARY MEETING General Assembly Hall

1. Address by His Excellency Mr. Carlos Roberto Flores Facussé, President of the Republic of Honduras
2. Address by His Excellency Mr. Luis Angel González Macchi, President of the Republic of Paraguay
3. Address by Her Excellency Mrs. Vaira Vike-Freiberga, President of the Republic of Latvia
4. Continuation of the general debate [9]:

   Germany

   China

   Italy

   San Marino

3 p.m. 9th PLENARY MEETING General Assembly Hall

1. Address by His Excellency Mr. Ismail Omar Guelleh, President of the Republic of Djibouti
2. Address by His Excellency Mr. Miguel Angel Rodríguez Echeverría, President of the Republic of Costa Rica
3. Address by His Excellency Mr. Jules Albert Widjenbosch, President of the Republic of Suriname
4. Address by His Excellency Mr. Leo Falcam, President of the Federated States of Micronesia
5. Address by His Excellency Mr. Frederick Chiluba, President of the Republic of Zambia
6. Continuation of the general debate [9]:

   Address by His Excellency The Honourable Denzil Douglas, Prime Minister of Saint Kitts and Nevis

   Pakistan

   Greece

   Denmark

   India

   Turkmenistan

   Czech Republic

Committees

FIRST COMMITTEE

The 2nd meeting of the First Committee will be held on Thursday, 23 September 1999, at 10.30 a.m. in Conference Room 4, to consider the organization of work.

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SPECIAL POLITICAL AND DECOLONIZATION COMMITTEE (FOURTH COMMITTEE)

The Special Political and Decolonization Committee (Fourth Committee) will hold its 2nd meeting on Wednesday, 22 September 1999, at 10 a.m. sharp in Conference Room 4, for the purpose of electing its Vice-Chairmen and Rapporteur and to consider and approve its organization of work (A/C.4/54/L.1).

Delegations wishing to be inscribed on the list of speakers for the general debate relating to decolonization items, which will begin on Monday, 4 October (see document A/C.4/54/L.1), are kindly requested to notify the Secretariat (room S-2977; tel.: (212) 963-9223).

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SECOND COMMITTEE

The Second Committee will hold its 2nd meeting on Tuesday, 28 September 1999, at 10 a.m. in the Trusteeship Council Chamber, to elect its Vice-Chairmen and Rapporteur and to consider its proposed organization of work as contained in document A/C.2/54/L.1*.

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* To be issued.

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SIXTH COMMITTEE

The Sixth Committee will hold its 2nd meeting on Monday, 27 September 1999, at 10 a.m. in Conference Room 4, for the purpose of electing its Vice-Chairmen and Rapporteur and to consider and approve its organization of work (A/C.6/54/L.1)*.

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* To be issued.

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ECONOMIC AND SOCIAL COUNCIL

The Technical Subgroup of the Ad Hoc Open-ended Working Group on Informatics will meet, under the chairmanship of H.E. Mr. Percy Metsing Mangoaela (Lesotho), on Wednesday, 22 September 1999, at 10 a.m. sharp in Conference Room E (to be confirmed).

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The Chairman of the Commission for Social Development, Mr. Aurelio Fernández (Spain), will give a briefing on the programme of work of the Commission on Thursday, 7 October 1999, from 1.15 p.m. to 2.45 p.m. in Conference Room 1. All interested delegations are invited to attend.

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United Nations Development Programme

There will be informal consultations with members of the United Nations Development Programme on the *Human Development Report 2000* on Friday, 24 September 1999 from 10 a.m. to 1 p.m in Conference Room 3.

MEETINGS OTHER THAN MEETINGS OF UNITED NATIONS BODIES

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There will be meetings of the Group of 77 (*draft resolution on the Caribbean Sea and review and implementation of the Programme of Action for the Sustainable Development of Small Islands Developing States*) at 10 a.m. on Wednesday, 22 September 1999, in Conference Room 2, and on Thursday, 23 September, in Conference Room 7.

The Ministers for Foreign Affairs of the Member States of the Group of 77 will hold their Twenty-third Annual Ministerial Meeting at Headquarters on Friday, 24 September 1999, at 10 a.m. and 3 p.m. in the Trusteeship Council Chamber.

The Twenty-third Annual Ministerial Meeting will be preceded by the Eleventh Annual Senior Officials Meeting of the Group of 77 on Wednesday, 22 September 1999, at 10 a.m. and 3 p.m. in the Trusteeship Council Chamber.

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There will be an informal open-ended meeting of the Ministers for Foreign Affairs and Heads of Delegation of the Non-Aligned Movement with the Group of 77 and China (Joint Coordinating Committee) on Wednesday, 22 September 1999, from 3 p.m. to 6 p.m. in Conference Room 3.

There will be a meeting of the Ministers for Foreign Affairs and Heads of Delegation of the Non-Aligned Movement on Thursday, 23 September 1999, from 10 a.m. to 1 p.m. and from 3 p.m. to 6 p.m. in Conference Room 3.

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Informal consultations

In connection with the special session of the General Assembly for the review and appraisal of the implementation of the Programme of Action for the Sustainable Development of Small Island Developing States, the informal consultations on the draft resolution on the Caribbean Sea will continue on Wednesday, 22 September 1999, from 3 p.m. to 6 p.m. in Conference Room 6, and on Friday, 24 September, from 10 a.m. to 1 p.m. and from 3 p.m. to 6 p.m. in Conference D.

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Briefings

The Permanent Mission of Cuba will hold a briefing for interested delegations and representatives of non-governmental organizations from 10 a.m. to 1 p.m. in Conference Room D, on Wednesday, 22 September 1999, on "A Cuban Perspective from the Views of Cuban Religious Organizations".

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The Under-Secretary-General for Disarmament Affairs, Mr. Jayantha Dhanapala, will hold an informal briefing for all interested States on matters pertaining to the forthcoming Conference on Facilitating the Entry into Force of the Comprehensive Nuclear-Test-Ban Treaty (CTBT) (in terms of Article XIV, paragraph 2, of that Treaty) on Thursday, 23 September 1999, at 3.30 p.m. in the Economic and Social Council Chamber.

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The Regional Representative of the United Nations International Drug Control Programme (UNDCP), Mr. Michael Platzer, will brief permanent missions on current efforts to implement the Barbados Plan of Action on Drug Control. The briefing will be held on Monday, 27 September 1999, from 1.15 p.m. to 2.45 p.m. in Conference Room E, and will be followed by a question-and-answer period. Members of permanent missions, Secretariat staff, representatives of non-governmental organizations and the media are invited to attend.

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Workshops

The United Nations Institute for Training and Research (UNITAR) and the United Nations University (UNU) are organizing the second session in the UNU/UNITAR Series, entitled "Workshop on International Environmental Law". Session II will be conducted in English on Thursday , 30 September, and on Friday, 1 October 1999, from 10 a.m. to 1 p.m. and from 3 p.m. to 6 p.m.

A letter on this subject, including an information note and a nomination form, was addressed to all the permanent missions. The registration deadline is Thursday, 23 September 1999. For further information, please contact Ms. Cecelia Coleman (room DC1-603; tel.:(212) 963-9684).

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The UNITAR/UTA/WTO Workshop on International Trade Negotiations, originally scheduled to be held from 27 to 29 September, will now take place from 20 to 22 October 1999 from 10 a.m. to 1 p.m and from 3 p.m. to 6 p.m. in New York.

The nomination form was already sent out to all the permanent missions, with the information note. The new registration deadline is Wednesday, 13 October 1999. For further information, please contact Ms. Cecelia Coleman (room DC1-603; tel.: (212) 963-9684).

SUMMARY OF MEETINGS

Monday, 20 September 1999

GENERAL ASSEMBLY

Forty-fourth session

4th plenary meeting

Scale of assessments for the apportionment of the expenses of the United Nations (Article 19 of the Charter) (A/54/333/Add.2) [125]

The General Assembly took note that Sierra Leone had made the necessary payment to reduce its arrears below the amount specified in Article 19 of the Chapter.

Report of the Secretary-General on the work of the Organization: presentation by the Secretary-General of his annual report on the work of the Organization (A/54/1) [10]

The Secretary-General made a presentation of his annual report on the work of the Organization (A/54/1).

Opening of the general debate [9]

The President of the General Assembly reminded the members of the decision taken by the General Assembly at its 3rd plenary meeting on 17 September that congratulations should not be expressed inside the General Assembly Hall after a speech had been delivered.

In this connection, the President recalled the decision taken by the Assembly at the same meeting that speakers in the general debate, after having delivered their statements, should leave the Assembly Hall through room GA-200 at the rear of the podium before returning to their seats.

The President also reminded representatives that the list of speakers would be closed on Wednesday, 22 September 1999, at 6 p.m., and requested delegations to provide estimated speaking times that were as accurate as possible, so that meetings could be planned in an orderly way.

The President recalled paragraph 21 of the annex to General Assembly resolution 51/241 whereby the Assembly indicated a voluntary guideline of up to twenty minutes for each statement in the general debate.

The General Assembly heard a statement by H.E. Mr. Luiz Felipe Palmeira Lampreia, Minister for Foreign Affairs of Brazil.

Address by H.E. Mr. Thabo Mbeki, President of the Republic of South Africa

H.E. Mr. Thabo Mbeki, President of the Republic of South Africa, addressed the General Assembly.

Address by H.E. Mr. Abdelaziz Bouteflika, President of the People's Democratic Republic of Algeria and former President of the General Assembly

H.E. Mr. Abdelaziz Bouteflika, President of the People's Democratic Republic of Algeria and former President of the General Assembly, addressed the General Assembly.

Address by H.E. Mr. Sam Nujoma, President of the Republic of Namibia

H.E. Mr. Sam Nujoma, President of the Republic of Namibia, addressed the General Assembly.

Address by H.E. Mr. Eduard Shevardnadze, President of Georgia

H.E. Mr. Eduard Shevardnadze, President of Georgia, addressed the General Assembly.

Continuation of the general debate [9]

H.E. Mr. Lionel Jospin, Prime Minister of the French Republic, addressed the General Assembly.

The General Assembly heard a statement by H.E. Abdel-Elah Mohammad Khatib, Minister for Foreign Affairs of Jordan.

Adoption of the agenda and organization of work: letters from the Chairman of the Committee on Conferences (A/54/313/Add. 1 and 2) [8]

The General Assembly adopted the recommendations of the Committee on Conferences contained in the letters from the Chairman of the Committee (A/54/313/Add.1 and 2) to authorize the Preparatory Committee for the Special Session of the General Assembly on the Implementation of the Outcome of the World Summit for Social Development and Further Initiatives and the Committee on Information to meet in New York during the main part of its fifty-fourth session.

5th plenary meeting

Address by H.E. Mr. Benjamin William Mkapa, President of the United Republic of Tanzania

H.E. Mr. Benjamin William Mkapa, President of the United Republic of Tanzania, addressed the General Assembly.

Address by H.E. Mr. Arnoldo Alemán Lacayo, President of the Republic of Nicaragua

H.E. Mr. Arnoldo Alemán Lacayo, President of the Republic of Nicaragua, addressed the General Assembly.

Address by H.E. Mr. Andrés Pastrana Arango, President of the Republic of Colombia

H.E. Mr. Andrés Pastrana Arango, President of the Republic of Colombia, addressed the General Assembly.

Address by H.E. Mr. Jorge Fernando Branco de Sampaio, President of the Portuguese Republic

H.E. Mr. Jorge Fernando Branco de Sampaio, President of the Portuguese Republic, addressed the General Assembly.

Continuation of the general debate [9]

H.E. Sheikh Hasina, Prime Minister of the People's Republic of Bangladesh, addressed the General Assembly.

H.E. Mr. Kjell Magne Bondevik, Prime Minister of the Kingdom of Norway, addressed the General Assembly.

H.E. Mr. Samdech Hun Sen, Prime Minister of the Kingdom of Cambodia, addressed the General Assembly.

H.E. Mr. Marc Forné Molné, Prime Minister of the Principality of Andorra, addressed the General Assembly.

H.E. The Honourable Mahendra Pal Chaudhry, Prime Minister of the Republic of Fiji, addresed the General Assembly.

The General Assembly heard statements by H.E. Mr. Amara Essy, Minister for Foreign Affairs of Côte d'Ivoire and former President of the General Assembly; H.E. The Right Honourable Robin Cook, Secretary of State for Foreign and Commonwealth Affairs of the United Kingdom of Great Britain and Northern Ireland; H.E. Mr. Jadranko Prlić, Minister for Foreign Affairs of Bosnia and Herzegovina.

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Convention on the Rights of the Child

COMMITTEE ON THE
RIGHTS OF THE CHILD
Twenty-second session
United Nations Office at Geneva

MONDAY, 20 SEPTEMBER 1999

558th meeting

The twenty-second session was opened by the Deputy High Commissioner for Human Rights, Mr. Bertrand Ramcharam.

Adoption of the agenda [1]

The Committee adopted its provisional agenda as contained in document CRC/C/88.

Organizational and other matters [2]

The Committee considered the item.

Submission of reports by States parties [3]

The Committee began its consideration of the item.

Submission of reports by States parties [3]

Other matters [9]

The Committee considered the items in closed session.

559th (closed) meeting

Methods of work of the Committee [6]

Other matters [9]

The Committee considered the items in closed session.

SIGNATURES, RATIFICATIONS, ETC.

[MULTILATERAL TREATIES DEPOSITED WITH THE SECRETARY-GENERAL]

International Convention for the Suppression of Terrorist Bombings. New York, 15 December 1997

Signature: Belarus (20 September 1999)

Ratification: Norway (20 September 1999)*

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* Date of receipt of the relevant documents.

Comprehensive Nuclear-Test-Ban Treaty. New York, 10 September 1996

Signature: Guatemala (20 September 1999)

Amendments to articles 24 and 25 of the Constitution of the World Health Organization. Geneva, 16 May 1998

Acceptance: Madagascar (16 September 1999)*

Amendment to article 74 of the Constitution of the World Health Organization. Geneva, 18 May 1978

Acceptance: Madagascar (16 September 1999)*

* Date of receipt of the relevant documents.

ANNOUNCEMENTS

Security announcement

Grounds passes

Regarding the issuance of United Nations grounds passes, the Pass and Identification Office, located on the ground floor of the UNITAR Building (45th Street and First Avenue), will be open *tomorrow*, 21 September 1999, from 7.30 a.m. to 5.30 p.m. For extended hours of service please fax requests to the Chief, Security and Safety Service (fax: (212) 963-9541).

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New United Nations stamps and souvenir sheets

Today, 21 September 1999, the United Nations Postal Administration (UNPA) will issue a set of three commemorative stamps and three souvenir sheets to pay tribute to those who have lost their lives while serving the United Nations. The denominations of the stamps will be 33 cents, F.s. 1,10, and $6.50. The denominations of the souvenir sheets will be $1.00, F.s. 2,00 and $14.

The new stamps, souvenir sheets, first-day covers and hand cancellations can be obtained by members of delegations and staff members at the north end of the Secretariat Lobby *today*, 21 September 1999, from 9 a.m. to 4 p.m. and at the UNPA sales counter in the concourse of the General Assembly Building from 9 a.m. to 5.30 p.m. Details about the new issue are available in circular ST/IC/1999/74.

COMMUNICATIONS TO THE EDITOR

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